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Applicants: Steven A. Bogen and Herbert H. Loeffler

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For: AUTOMATED SLIDE STAINER WITH SLIDE HOUSING (AMENDED)

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Transmitted herewith is a Response After Final Rejection for filing in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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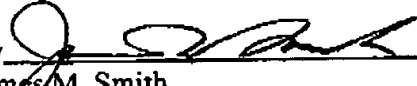
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